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ALMA

At the request of the City of Alma, endorsed by a letter from the Governor, Alma College became a Forest Rangers' Station. Twelve theologians, with Mr. Bannan as fire chief, maintain a fire station with fire truck, etc. They answered two October alarms, both in Los Gatos.

Mr. Earley's article in "America" (Oct. 9), described the war work and defense activities of Alma during the past two years.

Oct. 16. Completing over 15,000 hours of continuous day and night observation, the Alma Observation Post, at the command of General H. H. Arnold, U.S. A.A., was put on alert basis. Henceforth the post will be manned only for alert or emergency calls. A letter from the General, thanking the men for their work, was read in the refectory.

Dr. Karl and Dr. Mandelbaum, of the Economic Department at Stanford University, spoke on the pitfalls of the future peace. Dr. Mandelbaum escaped from Poland last year. Dr. Bode said: "Many are the pitfalls on the way to a permanent peace, and many are the pitfalls on the way to Alma." They had lost the way and run into a ditch on the Bear Creek Road.

Unable to help El Retiro on class days, the theologians go there on Thursday holidays.

Instead of all working each week in kitchen work, a plan is in effect whereby three theologians are assigned to do all the work for one day. Each man receives an assignment approximately every five weeks.

Oct. 13. Fr. Rector's Day. Fr. Malone was 72 on that day.

Fr. Casey attended the San Francisco Propagation of the Faith meeting.

Mr. Mulcahy successfully passed his qualifying examinations at California.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

The Army Contract has been approved with only two small changes, and these

in favor of the University. The officers and enlisted men seem very pleased with the general accommodations. The 206 non-Catholics of the group of 251 men are loud in appreciation of Jesuit teaching.

Oct. 18-20. The periodical G. I. exams for the soldier students. The school examinations for the soldiers followed in the next week. Then a furlough.

About 200 of the men attended a dinner and evening entertainment arranged for them at the Hollywood Masquer's Club of the Loyola Alumni Association.

Oct. 24. The graduation of probably the last civilian senior class for the duration. Fourteen received diplomas.

Fr. Connolly, despite his many duties as Dean, continues to handle cases for the War Labor Board.

George Lord, co-captain of the '39 hockey team, and the first Loyola para-trooper, was reported missing in action out of North Africa on September 15.

Robert Ganey, '35, was wounded at Port Moresby.

Lt. Keith Frampton, '38, a bombardier in the Air Force, is reported missing in action over New Guinea.

Houses for the workingmen are to be moved in.

At a cost of \$3000, a drawing room 80x30 is to be built for the military school. The building will be unfinished interiorly.

If more dormitory space were available, an extra 100 students would be sent to the University.

LOYOLA HIGH

The registration is 860.

Major Myers replaces Colonel Rush in ROTC. Classes are drilled individually. Once a week the whole unit assembles.

Oct. 14. Fathers' Night with 600 in attendance.

Oct. 17. The Henry Welch Guild held a reception for parents of new students.

The Sodality published in September a 4-page paper, "The Sodalist," outlin-

ing Sodality objectives and achievements.

Fr. G. Flynn is Archdiocesan Sodality Director, and a member of the Archbishop's newly formed "Youth Council."

Bill Sargent, football coach in 1937-38, is back as head coach. Sam Dagley, head coach 13 years ago, is assistant coach.

Fr. Domachowski was in charge of the Lithuanian Parish for some weeks, during the pastor's absence.

LOS GATOS

Oct. 6-21. Provincial Visitation.

Oct. 7. Br. Livermore, a coadjutor postulant, entered.

Oct. 8. Br. James W. Felt, a scholastic novice, entered from Los Angeles.

Oct. 11. Juniors' grape season began. During the month they also picked apples and tomatoes.

Messrs. Donohue, Dullea, Farraher and Roberts spent a few days' vacation at the Novitiate.

Fr. Rector teaches 2nd year "B" Latin and Greek; 1st year Public Speaking.

Fr. Burman teaches 2nd year "A" Latin and Greek; 2nd year Public Speaking.

Fr. Brusher teaches History Survey, Literature Survey; 1st and 2nd year English.

Fr. Cahill teaches 1st year "B" Latin and Greek.

Fr. St. Sure teaches 1st year "A" Latin and Greek; community singing.

Oct. 29. Br. John W. Krupa, a coadjutor postulant, entered from Palm Springs, Calif.

PHOENIX

Oct. 12. Fr. Francis P. Kemper, S.J., from Chicago, arrived and will remain for his health.

The desert church at Sunnyslope is being built of cement blocks. It measures 53x23, and will accommodate 112 people. It will be a hall, when the permanent church is built. The name is "Our Lady of the Wayside." The Sunday congregation runs between 80 and 90 TB's, for whom Fr. Monaghan says Mass in a private house. The first Mass in the new building is planned for the feast of Christ the King.

Oct. 17. We spoke at all the Masses about the Coadjutor Brothers. A large poster with pictures states that "The Jesuit Brothers are the 'Ground Crew' in the Army of Christ."

The Little Flower Novena was preached by Fr. Daze and Fr. Hesser. The crowds were not too large.

Fr. Daze represented the Fathers at the consecration of Bishop Davis in Tucson, and acted as one of the gift bearers, presenting a golden cask of wine.

The Fathers give a monthly conference to the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, and occasionally one at the other convents. Fr. Hesser teaches catechism once a week at the Good Shepherds'.

Oct. 31. All the parishes unite for a Holy Hour at the Phoenix Union High School stadium, in honor of Christ the King. Some 6000 attend.

Registration: 400, with 19 in the High School, and 30 in the Pre-School.

SAN FRANCISCO

General Arneman, in charge of ASTP of the Ninth Service Command, inspected the University unit and expressed great satisfaction. The soldiers number 421. Additional space was required to house the increased quota. The former ROTC juniors have returned to finish college.

Oct. 27. The Jesuit Mothers entertained new members of the organization, along with the fathers of the Jesuits.

Fr. Yenni of the New Orleans Province is attending the University of California.

The civilian students number 150.

Oct. 15. Fr. Duce preached at the Mass of Holy Ghost for Notre Dame High, and St. Joseph's Grammar School.

Oct. 19. First session of released time for public school children. Fr. Grisez taught a group of 29 grammar children, whom he brought to and from St. Joseph's School.

A page from the year's report:

123 infants baptised.
14 adults baptised.
60 deaths.
73 marriages.
12 converts.

October Mass Attendance:

| | 1st Sun. | | 2nd Sun. | | 3rd Sun. | |
|-------|----------|-----|----------|-----|----------|-----|
| Mass | Adul. | Ch. | Adul. | Ch. | Adul. | Ch. |
| 6 | 103 | 2 | 76 | 2 | 84 | 0 |
| 7 | 115 | 3 | 141 | 7 | 126 | 5 |
| 8 | 267 | 12 | 257 | 11 | 219 | 19 |
| 9 | 395 | 33 | 511 | 41 | 493 | 117 |
| 10 | 340 | 23 | 331 | 26 | 351 | 25 |
| 11:15 | 650 | 45 | 693 | 41 | 669 | 42 |
| 12:15 | 815 | 90 | 780 | 62 | 839 | 76 |

2687 208 2789 190 2781 284
2895 2979 3065

SANTA BARBARA

Fr. Stack spent several days assisting the pastor in some parish business matters.

Fr. Leahy and Fr. Sheerin attended a committee meeting at the Presbyterian church about "released time" for the religious instruction of public school children. The tone of the meeting was zealous, but confused about the "union school" for Protestants. Most of the parish instruction will be given by members of the Parish Confraternity under Fr. Sheerin's direction. The plan will not become operative until next semester.

The high school choir sings at the Sunday High Mass. The hour of the Mass will be varied, to acquaint all the parish with the liturgical rites.

Fr. Brolan gave the lower division retreat at Loyola High. He also addressed the local K. C.'s on Columbus Day.

Frs. Sheerin and Villa accompanied Fr. Stack to Malibu for the dedication of the Franciscan Retreat House. One of the Franciscans went to El Retiro to see how a retreat is conducted.

Br. Wallace painted the sacristy during Br. O'Brien's retreat, and checked and revamped the vestments.

Alma lent the vestments for the Solemn High Mass on the feast of the Parish Patronesses. The people were so impressed that generous donations were made for a parish set of these vestments. Dr. Burkhard gave \$200.

In the tax drive for \$3200, the sum was readily realized.

Fr. Acquistapace no longer drives the school bus. A lady of the parish is driver.

Fr. Sheerin is doing excellent work with the census.

Registration: Grammar 300. High School 130.

SANTA CLARA

The Sodality, under the edirection of Fr. Schmidt, is the most lively organization on the campus. Here are some of its activities:

At the first bi-weekly Communion Mass, 40 out of the 60 members were present.

An organization is being formed for the Catholic soldiers of the ASTP.

The Eucharistic Committee sponsors a study club on the Mass. Ten or more members participate in the lively discussions at its weekly meetings. A Dialogue Mass and group Communion was offered to increase devotion to the Holy Sacrifice on the campus.

The Entertainment Committee has organized an orchestra, glee club and choir. The choir sang at Br. Gosselin's Jubilee Mass.

The meetings of the whole Sodality on Monday night alternate between a business meeting one week, and the presentation of a guest speaker the next. Every other Friday night the Sodality sponsors an entertainment for the whole civilian student body.

Some of the members are reorganizing a Catholic Boys Club in the town of Santa Clara. They plan to use sports to attract boys to catechism instructions.

Four Sodality members represented the University at the International Relations Club Conference at Mills College, October 15. The chairman publicly attributed much of the success of the conference to the Santa Clara representatives, one of whom was elected to the only office to be filled.

Of last year's junior class 42 members have returned to the ASTP. They are taking refresher courses until the December term begins. Their training here will prepare them for the officers' candidate school.

The number of civilian students is holding up pretty well, though one or two are called to the service occasionally.

Recent converts: 5 soldiers, 1 civilian, 3 nurses. A soldier and his fiancée were baptised one evening, and married next morning.

Nine civilian senior engineering students completed their first semester on November 1. They graduate in March.

With permission of the Archbishop, Fr. Rector gave a talk at a meeting of the combined San Jose and Santa Clara Rotary Clubs.

A basketball team, organized among the civilian students, has increased school spirit. It has won two games and tied one.

Fr. Deasy has received unofficial notice of his recommendation for his commission as a Navy Chaplain. Providentially a last minute change of plans prevented him from being aboard the Turlock bus which was hit by a train.

Fr. Schmidt has scheduled entertainments three times per month by contacting the USO in San Francisco.

Br. Gosselin's Golden Jubilee was celebrated October 30 by a Missa Cantata. The Sodalists received Holy Communion for his intention. Fr. Shipsey wrote an account of Brother for the Western Jesuit.

Fr. Hubbard gave a lecture to the Sodality. He repeated it for the soldiers. His lecture under the auspices of the Catala Club was a sell-out. Only two

or three seats were vacant. During the lecture several of his cameras were stolen from the Ricard Observatory.

VARIA

Messrs. Korn and Patrick Shaules have been approved for the China Mission. Next summer they will start to study Chinese.

High School Retreat Masters

Loyola High: Frs. White & Brolan.
Bellarmine: Frs. Hanlon & Jas. Healy.
St. Ign. High: Frs. Stack & Lycms.

Grammar School Registration.

Phoenix 400
St. Joseph's 410
Sta. Barbara 300
St. Clare's 300
The Navy sends daily a bus-load of children to St. Clare's from Moffett Field.

Frs. Lennon and Moore with Br. Finnegan were taken by the Japanese to Goa in India. The Gripsholm brings them to Rio de Janiero about Nov. 10, and to New York, Dec. 2. A Nov., 1942, message received in Oct., 1943, via Geneva Red Cross, announced that Fr. Falvey was safe with the Canadian Fathers in China.

Fr. Roccati on Sept. 25, was operated on by a doctor in Portland. He is much improved. Oct. 24, he returned to San Jose.

Five Army chaplains were among the 87 priests who made the two Fresno Clergy retreats in September at El Retiro.

In November, ten San Francisco priests who missed the summer diocesan retreats, will make a retreat at El Retiro.

Chaplain Figures, Sept. 20, 1943.

| | Chaps. | Applic. | Auxil. |
|---------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| New York | 103 | 6 | 33 |
| Chicago | 97 | | 5 |
| Boston | 76 | 8 | 1 |
| Philadelphia | 67 | | 1 |
| Newark | 51 | 1 | 21 |
| Los Angeles | 25 | | 21 |
| San Francisco | 22 | 1 | 3 |
| Jesuits | 152 | 18 | 50 |
| Redempt. | 110 | 9 | 41 |
| O. F. M. | 89 | 15 | 31 |
| O. S. B. | 68 | 7 | 24 |
| C. P. | 59 | 7 | 43 |

Fr. Edward McNamara of Ketchikan has issued a booklet containing six pages listing the deceased clergy who have worked in Alaska. The booklet is dedicated to Fr. William Judge, First American Missionary to Alaska. The names are grouped according to months. The day and year of death are given, and

the place of burial.

The New Orleans News Letter has issued an unusual bulletin, listing the dead for 1943, and giving a short but interesting account of each one.

FR. ALFRED W. JOHNSON, U.S.A.

- 1902 —Feb. 9. b. at Laramie, Wyo., of John Johnson and Emma Hauer.
1922 —Sept. 20. Entered Los Gatos from Univ. of Santa Clara.
1922-24—Novice, Los Gatos.
1924-26—Junior, Los Gatos.
1926-29—Philosophy, Spokane.
1929-32—Teacher, Santa Clara.
1932-33—Teacher, Bellarmine Prep.
1933-34—Theology, Alma, Calif.
1936 —Jun. 19. Ordained at Santa Clara by Ab. Mitty.
1937-38—Tertian, Port Townsend.
1938-42—Teacher, Loyola University.
1942-43—Chaplain, U.S.A.
1943 —Oct. 30. d. in San Francisco.

Fr. Johnson was a quiet character and kept his troubles to himself. While teaching at Loyola University in 1940, he had a narrow escape from a broken gangrenous appendix, only discovered at the last moment. He was most patient and brave.

On Oct. 15, 1943, he visited Alma with two or three other chaplains. The party was taken to the Big Basin. That night they stayed at U. S. F. On Oct. 18, Fr. Johnson took a 10-mile hike with his outfit, jumped the obstacles, etc., with the men. That night he complained of a sore throat and was tired. Next evening he was seriously ill with infantile paralysis, and was taken to the Letterman Hospital, where he was put in the oxygen tank. No one was allowed to see him. Chaplain McKenna gave him the last sacraments. Oct. 20. He died around 6 a. m.

He was well liked by his outfit. He made several conversions. In September he was APO'd to near Richmond, and was expecting to embark any day. He did not want to go to the hospital, lest he be left behind. His service has come to an unexpected close. He is a Gold Star for the Province. His patience and his devotedness have won him more than that from the good God.

DEATHS

Oct. 20, Fr. Alfred Johnson, San Francisco.